

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 681

By Carr J

A RESOLUTION to recognize William Ransom Jones, Sr. for his contributions to the State of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to recognize those leaders who serve their communities and the state with unwavering dedication; and

WHEREAS, William Ransom Jones, Sr. of Rutherford County is one such individual; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Central High School Class of 1960, Mr. Jones attended Vanderbilt University, earning a Bachelor of Engineering degree in Civil Engineering in 1964; and

WHEREAS, after college, Mr. Jones served his state in the Tennessee Air National Guard; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones was president of Southland Supply, Inc. until it was sold in 1998, and since 1972, he has been involved in a variety of businesses; and

WHEREAS, he is currently a board member of Citizen BanCorp Investment Company of Lafayette as well as the president of the Jennings and Rebecca Jones Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones is closely involved in the political atmosphere of Rutherford County; he has served two terms as Rutherford County Republican Chairman and was appointed to the Rutherford County Election Commission in 1992 and 2010, where he currently holds the position of Chairman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones has freely given his time to his local community and he has served on the Adult Activity Board of Rutherford County, as well as being a member and Chairman of the Linebaugh Library Board; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones has also served his state; he was appointed by Governor Sundquist to the Tennessee Higher Education Commission, where he served as Chairman for two terms, and he currently serves on Senator Corker's military service academy nominating board; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones enjoys the loving companionship of his wife, Mary Corinne Hay Jones; the couple have been blessed with two sons, Lt. Col. William Ransom Jones, Jr. and Jennings Jones, as well as two grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, it is wholly fitting that this body formally recognizes William Ransom Jones, Sr. as a Tennessean of the highest order; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize and commend William Ransom Jones, Sr. as an integral part of this state, applaud his successes, and extend our best wishes for his continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.